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In re Application of

Yoshimasa HAYAMA, et al.

Serial No.: 10/642,670

Group Art Unit: 1744

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For: DUST COLLECTOR

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 9 and 10 to correct their identity. Without deceptive intent, Figures 9 and 10 were mistakenly interchanged. These sheets which include Figures 9 and 10 replace the original sheets which include Figures 9 and 10.

Attachments: Replacement Sheets

Annotated Sheets Showing Changes